REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed March 26, 2004.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112, SECOND PARAGRAPH

Claim 13 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. A minor word change has been made to Claim 13 and is believed to remove as ground for rejection.

REJECTION REGARDING THE DECLARATION

The Examiner objected to the Declaration because it did not include the prior foreign application serial no. and the filing date of the priority British application. In response thereto, the undersigned has enclosed a copy of the Declaration that was filed on March 12, 2002 in response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application." It is believed this removes this ground for rejection.

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

Claims 1-4 and 6-26 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 and 7-23 of U.S. Patent No. 6,655,034. Merely in the interest of expediting prosecution of the present application, a Terminal Disclaimer is being submitted signed by a representative of the Assignee. It is believed this removes the ground for rejection.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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